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Gentlemen

The purpose of this letter is to clarify recent activities which have impacted Interagency Agreement (IA) Table 6 milestones for Operable Unit (OU) No 1 and to provide an extension request based on the Department of Energy s (DOE) position regarding these impacts. This request is based on Part 42 Paragraph 222 of the IA. The DOE believes that the series of events discussed in this letter constitutes good causes. There are four main constituents which were considered in compiling this extension request.

- A previous DOE extension request dated October 7 1993 (Ret 93 DOE 10200) has not been acted on by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Colorado Department of Health (CDH)
- There was a stop work order which was applied to the Baseline Risk Assessment (BRA) on Operable Unit No 1 between June 21 and November 3 1993
- The Diaft Technical Memo (TM) No 10 Development of Remedial Action Objectives was submitted to the agencies on August 27 1993 however official comments on this TM had not been received from CDH as of February 1 1994
- DOE would like to incorporate recent citorts by DOE EG&G EPA and CDH to develop a consistent programmatic approach for conducting Corrective Measures Studies/Feasibility Studies (CMS/FS) across all OUs at Rocky Flats

These items have caused inexticable schedule impacts and were discussed on the staff level in a meeting on January 28 1994 between DOE EPA and CDH personnel. The discussion of the above items in a meeting prior to DOE submitting a formal extension request was suggested by CDH personnel so that these items could be clarified.

For background purposes Enclosure 1 contains a detailed discussion of the above items and their potential impacts on the IA milestone schedule for OU 1

Although many of the above constituents were considered this extension request is primarily based on the use of the Programmatic Approach for conducting CMS/FS studies and on the discussions of the January 28 1994 meeting A detailed discussion



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and background of the Programmatic Approach is included in Enclosure 1. In general the Programmatic Approach for conducting CMS/FS studies assumes that a series of interim working meetings will be held for DOE to present interim/draft results from the FS to EPA and CDH to comment. The approach then assumes that a Draft CMS/FS report can be reviewed by EPA and CDH in 20 days. In effect, this approach shortens the assumed duration between a Draft and Final CMS/FS report.

For your convenience a detailed GANT chart for conducting the CMS/FS study is included as Enclosure 2. This chart is based on the Piogrammatic Approach model. Please note the interim meetings and the 20 day review time for the Draft CMS/FS report by EPA and CDH reflected in this schedule. It should also be noted from the chart that the DOE review times for the draft and final reports are also due in 20 days.

Enclosure 3 shows the proposed milestone dates for eight Table 6 IA Milestones for OU 1. The first column of Enclosure 2 shows the original dates or the previously approved extension dates for the eight Table 6 IA milestones. The second column shows the proposed schedule for these milestones. The submittal dates for the Draft and Final CMS/FS reports are November 7. 1994, and February 8. 1995, respectively. If you have any questions regarding this material please contact Jen Pepe of my staff at 966, 2184.

Sincerely

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Enclosure 1

Background Discussion of IA Schedule Impacts

Previous Extension Request

The October 7 1993 DOE letter (Ref 93 DOE 10200) requested extension of 8 Interagency Agreement (IA) milestones This DOE letter requested an extension for the submittal of the diaft and final Corrective Measures Study/Feasibility Study (CMS/FS) reports to March 24 1994 and September 20 1994 respectively indicating that sufficient time would be required to transfer critical information between the Baseline Risk Assessment (BRA) in the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Facility Investigation/Remedial Investigation (RFI/RI) report and Technical Memorandum (TM) No 10 The letter further requested subsequent extensions for the Draft Proposed Plan (PP) Final PP Draft Responsiveness Summary (RS) Final RS Draft Corrective Action Decision/Record of Decision (CAD/ROD) and Final CAD/ROD These extensions were requested because the IA milestone for submittal of the Final RFI/RI Report had been extended from January 4 1993 to November 15 1993

Stop Work Order

The August 12 1993 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) letter concurred that work would be stopped on the schedules to Operable Units 1 through 7 on efforts to prepare Baseline Risk Assessments and prepare the RFI/RI reports. The Colorado Department of Health (CDH) letter dated October 22 1993 acknowledged the DOE October 7 1993 extension request (Ref. 93 DOE 10200) for OU 1 and stated that the agencies would delay action on this request until the work stoppage on OU 1 was rescinded

The work stoppage for OU 1 was rescinded via the CDH letter dated October 21 1993 and signed for concurrence by DOE on November 3 1993 Based on this letter the work stoppage for OU 1 was 135 days (June 21 1993 to November 3 1993) As of the date of this letter the DOE extension request had not been acted on by the agencies

CDH Review of Technical Memoranda No 10

The Diaft TM 10 (Development of Remedial Action Objectives) was submitted to the agencies on August 27 1993 (Ret 93 DOE 10202). This draft was submitted despite the work stoppage which had been imposed on the BRA for the RFI/RI report. As of the date of this letter DOE had not received written comments on TM 10 from CDH. The EPA comments on TM 10 were received November 17 1993. It should be noted that DOE has proceeded with work to address the EPA comments and that initial work is being conducted to screen remediation alternatives. This work however is proceeding with a certain amount of risk and approval of TM 10 is becoming a very critical path item for progression of work on the CMS/FS.

Programmatic Approach for CMS/FS Studies

On December 23 1993 January 6 and January 13 1994 meetings were held with personnel from EPA CDH DOE and EG&G. The purpose of these meetings were for DOE and EG&G to present a draft model which outlines a detailed programmatic

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approach for conducting CMS/FS studies at Rocky Flats There are three major advantages to developing this detailed programmatic approach in concurrence with the regulators

- 1 CMS/FS studies will be conducted using similar logistic procedures and approaches across all OUs resulting in greater efficiency
- 2 Potential problems associated with procedures review times legal determinations etc may be easily identified before hand and potentially avoided
- 3 It may be possible to compress an FS schedule depending on the particular circumstances for the OU

Although the CMS/FS process for OU 1 is in progress DOE feels that it would be beneficial to tollow the proposed Programmatic Approach for tinishing the CMS/FS process for this OU. This would aid DOE EG&G EPA and CDH in testing modifying and further developing this approach. Potential logistic problems which may exist would be identified by using OU 1 as the test case. This could only improve the efficiency with which the CMS/FS studies are conducted to the other OUs at Rocky Flats.

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88828C1060 IDENTIFY COLLECT AND DELIVER RI DATA TO SUBCONT	+	11AUG93	1600693	
8882801100 REVIEW AND ASSESS POTENTIAL ARAR	S	1100093	1790693	
98828C1480 DRAFT BRA	8	1140693	20AUG93	
88828C1080 CONDUCT RI DATA SUFFICIENCY REVIEW	4	17AUG93	2090693	
88828C2268 UPDATE OF ARARS DATA	80	18AUG93	100EC93	
88828C1110 DEVELOP RADS	4	2340643	26911693	
88828C1490 APPROVAL OF FINAL BRA	82	234UG43	170EC93	
88828C1150 DEVELOP GRA	4	2740693	1SEP43	
88828C1155 DEVELOP PRGs	4	25EP93	8SEP43	
88828C1210 DEVELOP DRAFT TM #10	-	45ЕР43	14SEP93	
88828C1220 EGG REVIEW AND COMMENT IM #10	4	15SEP93	20SEP43	
88828C1290 EG&G AND DOE REVIEW AND COMMENT DRAFT TH110	4	21SEP93	24SEP43	
88828C1300 INCORPORATE COMMENTS & PRODUCE DRAFT FINAL THATO	7	27SEP93	30SEP43	
88828C1305 EPA\CDII REVIEW OF TM#10	34	10CT43	17N0V93	
88828C1320 COMMENT RESOLUTION ON THAIO	20	18NOV93	170EC93	
88828C1180 DEVELOP COMP LIST OF TECH	5	200EC43	3JAN94	
88828C1500 REVISE TM#10	23	200EC93	27.JAN94	
BBB2BC1230 CONDUCT INITIAL SCREENING OF TECH	5	4JAN94	10JAN94	
88828C1260 DEVELOP ALTERNATIVE LIST	2	11JAN94	17JAN94	
88828C1275 MEETING WITH EPA/CDH	-	18JAN94	18JAN94	
88828C1380 SCREEN ALTERNATIVES	5	19JAN94	25JAN94	
88828C1390 DEVELOP TM#11	18	26JAN94	18FEB94	
88828C1510 SUBHIT TH#10 TO EPA/CDII	-	28JAN94	28JAN94	
88828C1100 DELIVER IASK 9 DRAFT TM#11	-	21FEB94	21FEB94	
88828C1403 EG&G REVIEW OF TM#11	2	22FEB94	28FE894	ملتم
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88828C1450 INCORPORATE COMMENTS	5	27APR94	3MAY94	
88829C1460 DELIVER 1M#11 TO EGG/DDE, EPA/CDII	-	4MAY94	4MNY94	
BBB2BC1462 EPA/CDII REVIEW OF TH#11	10	SMAY94	18MAY94	
BBB28C1464 MEETING MITH EPA/CDH	-	19MAY94	19MBY94	
88828C1466 COMMENT RESOLUTION	10	20MAY94	3-JUN94	
88828C2270 ANALYZE ALTERNTIVES AGAINST 9 CRITERIA (TASK 10)	20	4PNUC9	130194	
88828C2790 NEPA REVIEW OF ALTERNIVES	20	6JUN94	1301.94	
88828C2272 COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF ALTER AGAINST 9 CRITERIA	01	530194	18,101,94	
88828C2274 MEETING HITH EPA/CDH	-	19JUL94	19,101,94	
88828C2276 PREPARE RECOMMENDED RAP	2	20JUL94	28,101,94	
88828C2300 PREPARE PRELIMINARY DRAFT CHS/FS EA REPORT	20	29JUL94	25AJJ694	
88828C2320 EG&G/DOE REVIEW OF PREL DRAFT CMS/FS EA REPORT	20	2600694	23SEP44	
88828C2330 ADDRESS COMMENTS & PREPARE DRAFT CMS/FS EA RPT	10	26SEP94	7007	
88828C2340 RE SUBNIT DRAFT CMS/FS EA REPORT TO DOE	0		70CT94	
88828C2350 FINAL DOE REVIEW OF CMS/FS EN REPORT	20	100CT94	4NDV94	
88828C2170 SUBMIT DRAFT CMS/FS EA REPORT TO EPA/COII	S	7N0V94	11N0V94	
88828C4000 PREPARE PRELIMINARY DRAFT PROPOSED PLAN	15	7NOV94	29N0Y94	
88828C2180 EPA/CDII REVIEW OF DRAFT CHS/FS EA REPORT	20	14N0V94	1305094	
88828C4010 DOE REVIEW PREIMINARY DRAFT PROPOSED PLAN	50	30NDV94	4 JAN95	
88828C2190 PREPARE DRAFT FINAL CMS/FS EA RPT	15	14DEC94	11 JAN95	
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Proposed IA Milestone Schedule

IA Deliverable	IA Table 6 Milestone Datê	Proposed Schedule
Draft CMS/FS	11 Feb 94 *	7 Nov 94 **
Final CMS/FS	3 Aug 94 *	8 Feb 94 **
Draft PP	27 Sep 93	8 Feb 94
Final PP	4 Jan 94	18 May 94
Draft RS	6 May 94	28 Aug 95
Final RS	3 Aug 94	25 Nov 95
Diaft CAD/ROD	3 Aug 94	25 Nov 95
Final CAD/ROD	1 Nov 94	23 Feb 96

CMS/FS Corrective Measures Study/Feasibility Study

PP Proposed Plan

RS Responsiveness Summary

CAD/ROD Corrective Action Decision/Record of Decision

- * An extension to the original Table 6 milestone date was granted April 2 1993
- Proposed Schedule based on the CMS/FS Piogrammatic Approach model and the IA Schedule Assumptions A detailed gant chart is attached for the proposed CMS/FS study. This schedule assumes that the Diatt CMS/FS Report can be reviewed by EPA and CDH in 20 days. It also assumes 20 days for DOE review prior to the submittal of the diaft and final reports. An expedited or concurrent review by DOE would result in an early finish date for the CMS/FS report.